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SCLA FORTY-SECOND ANNUAL MEETING

"Our Challenge--Change" will be the theme of the forty-second annual conference of the South Carolina Library Association on November first and second, 1963, at the Hotel Jefferson, Columbia, South Carolina.

September 1963

Dr. Frank G. Dickey, Director, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, will address the General session on "Changes and Trends in American Life." The banquet on Friday night will be followed by a symposium "Implications of the Changing Times for Libraries." Participants will be: Mrs. Frances Neel Cheney, Library School, George Peabody College; Mrs. Mary Frances Kennon Johnson, School of Education, Woman's College of the University of North Carolina; and Evelyn Day Mullen, Library Extension Specialist, Library Branch, U. S. Office of Education.

Ronald L. Copsey, Leslie Public Relations, will talk on "Interpretation of the Public Library" at the trustees luncheon, and the association luncheon speaker will be Mrs. Wilma Dykeman. Mrs. Dykeman, a native of Asheville, graduate of Northwestern University, and author of The French Broad and The Tall Woman, will speak on "Our Literary Heritage in the Appalachian Region."

Mrs. William A. Foran, Richland County Public Library, is president of the Association.

PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP

The Public Library Section of the SCLA is sponsoring a workshop on service to adults with the theme "Learning for Work and Learning for Leisure," on October 31-November 1 at the Hotel Jefferson.

Kenneth F. Duchac, Supervisor of Public Libraries, Division of Library Extension, Maryland State Department of Education, will be the consultant.

The workshop committee is composed of the following members: Mrs. M.H. Mims, Edgefield County Library; Charles Stow, Greenville County Library; and Nancy Blair, State Library Board, with the assistance of Dorothy Smith, Richland County Public Library, chairman of the Public Library Section. The committee hopes to present practical aid in developing a program for adults as individuals and as members of a group.

LIBRARY INTERNS MEET

Thirty librarians and library interns met at the Richland County Library on August 15 to share experiences and to evaluate the intern program. During the morning session the interns were told of the development of South Carolina's public libraries by Estellene P. Walker, director of the State Library Board. Dorothy Smith of the Richland County Public Library talked about future developments in the library field, illustrating her comments with colored slides from the Library 21 exhibit of the Seattle World's Fair. Following discussion meetings and lunch, the group visited the Richland County Public Library's Cooper Branch and the Lexington County Public Library's Smith Branch.

Interns attending the meeting were Jackie Crouch of the Aiken-Barnwell-Edgefield Regional Library; Pamela Riley of Calhoun; Peggie Boatwright, Elizabeth Moran and Katie Tanner of Charleston; Brenda Humphries of Greenwood; Jeanette Lancaster of Greenville; Rosamund Floyd of Horry County; Sylvia Fleming of Laurens; Kitty Warner and Ann Quattlebaum of Lexington; Judy Byrd and Rachel Kempson of Richland County; Anne Burns and James McGuirt Jr. of Spartanburg; and Helen Jordan of the S. C. State Library Board.

The library intern program is a joint project sponsored by the State Library Board and the Public Libraries Section of the South Carolina Library Association. Part of a design to recruit qualified librarians in the state, the intern program gives college-trained people an introduction to the profession through actual experience of working in a library.

THREE CHEERS FOR BOOKS

Posters, bookmarks, seals, streamers, and aids and suggestions for the 1963 celebration of National Children's Book Week, November 10-16, are now available. An order form may be obtained from the Children's Book Council, Inc., 175 Fifth Aveue, New York 10, New York. Orders should be placed by October 11 to insure delivery for Book Week.

WRITE YOUR CONGRESSMAN NOW

The most important single piece of library legislation ever to be considered by Congress will come up for action on the floor of the House within the next week or ten days. This is the Library Services and Construction Act (HR 4879) which would remove the rural restriction on Library Services Act funds and provide funds for public library building construction.

The removal of the urban restriction on LSA funds is particularly important for South Carolina, since public libraries in this state are organized on a county-wide or area-wide basis. Restriction of the use of LSA funds to rural areas has meant that people living in the urban centers of over 10,000 population have not been able to directly benefit from these funds.

Some county and regional libraries in South Carolina still need new headquarters library buildings and almost all libraries in the state need additional branch library buildings. Through this new piece of legislation annual grants would be available to help with the construction of public library buildings throughout the state.

THE TIME IS NOW! It is important that you, members of the library board and interested citizens in your communities, write immediately in support of this legislation to your representative in Congress. Give congressmen concrete reasons why this legislation will benefit the public library program of your community and state. It would be well to point out that the removal of the population limitation from the present Library Services Act will benefit, not harm, the rural public library program by making possible the improvement of the resources of the entire library system. Urge positive support for HR 4879.

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A Statistics Coordinating Project, to establish a national system of standardized library data collection for administrative use and research needs, is being sponsored by the ALA.

Supported by a \$48,960 grant from the Council on Library Resources, Inc., Washington, D. C., and an additional grant of \$5,000 from the National Science Foundation, the project began July 1, 1963, and will continue to June 30, 1964.

The overall purpose of the project is the coordination of statistics of academic, public, school and special libraries on the national, regional, state, and local levels in order to eliminate glaring gaps and unnecessary duplication by using the same definitions and terminology relevant to librarianship.

THE "DROPOUT" IN SOUTH CAROLINA

Attention has shifted from the "fall out" to the "drop out" and both of them are vital problems.

The concern of librarians is added to that of school administrators and counselors, management and labor, service clubs, parent-teacher associations, employment agencies, vocational and technical school people, and youths themselves over this loss of human resources.

Librarians can contribute to the solution of this problem by providing materials for study and discussion on a subject of vital concern. Here are some suggestions for library participation:

- 1. Publicize the library materials on the subject of dropouts, calling them to the attention of the school administration, study groups, and interested citizens
- 2. Prepare an exhibit and bibliography on the subject, incorporating news items and features from newspapers and magazines
- 3. Offer to provide a "book talk" on materials at a group meeting
- 4. Draw attention to the subject in advising committees on program planning

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- CHALLENGE OF CHANGE: CASE FOR COUNSELING Available on loan from S. C. State Department of Education, Wade Hampton Office Building, Columbia, S. C.
- WHEN I'M OLD ENOUGH...GOODBYE! Available on loan from S. C. Employment Security Commission, 1225 Laurel Street, Columbia, S. C.
- THE DROPOUT Available on loan from S. C. Education Association, 1510 Gervais Street, Columbia, S. C.
- RELUCTANCE TO GO TO SCHOOL Available on loan from S. C. State Department of Public Welfare, Wade Hampton Office Building, Columbia, S. C.

BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS

- THE VANISHING ADOLESCENT. Edgar Z. Friedenberg. 1959. Beacon, \$2.95.
- VALUES AND IDEALS OF AMERICAN YOUTH. Eli Ginzberg, ed. 1961. Columbia University Press, \$6.
- THE ADOLESCENT AND HIS WORLD. Irene M. Josselyn, M.D. 1952. Family Service Association of America, \$1.75.

- GROWING PAINS. Helen Parkhurst. 1962. Doubleday, \$4.50.
- ADOLESCENCE AND THE CONFLICT OF GENERATIONS. Gerald H. J. Pearson, M. D. 1958. Norton, \$3.95.
- WORK-STUDY PROGRAMS FOR ALIENATED YOUTH, A CASEBOOK. George W. Burchill, 1962. Science Research Associates, \$4.95.
- HEAL THE HURT CHILD. Hertha Riese. 1962. University of Chicago Press, \$10.
- THE CULTURALLY DEPRIVED CHILD. Frank Riessman. 1962. Harper, \$3.95.
- THE DROP-OUTS. Scholarship and Guidance Association. 1962. Free Press, Glencoe, \$3.50.
- PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES IN GUIDANCE. Emery Stoops. 1958. McGraw-Hill, \$5.50.
- DESIGN FOR COMMUNITY ACTION. Bureau of Labor Standards. U.S. Department of Labor, Bulletin 248. 1962. 20¢.

Pamphlet material on the subject is available from:

- S. C. Education Association, 1510 Gervais Street, Columbia, S. C.
- S. C. Employment Security Commission, 1225 Laurel Street, Columbia, S. C.

LIBRARY EXHIBIT AT FARM AND HOME WEEK

Hundreds of men, women and children attending the Clemson Farm and Home Week visited the exhibit arranged by the S. C. State Library Board with the cooperation of the Anderson, Greenville, Oconee and Pickens County Libraries. Each day from August 26 through August 29, a bookmobile from one of the counties was brought to Clemson. Many visitors who had never seen a bookmobile were impressed with the services offered, while many others compared the one on exhibit with the bookmobile which served them.

The State Library Board exhibit included a map showing the extent of county-wide library service in the state and a bulletin board on which bookmobile schedules from counties over the state were posted.

Bookmobile librarians from the assisting counties and a member of the State Library Board staff were on duty at the exhibit.

WRITE FOR THESE

The pamphlets listed below contain postal information and helpful mailing suggestions and are free upon request from: Classification and Special Services Division,

U. S. Post Office Department, Washington 25, D. C.

Domestic postage rates, fees, information

How to pack and wrap parcels for mailing

Mailing permits

International mail

How to address mail

How to prepare second-and third-class mailings

Combination mailing

FROM THE TRUSTEE DEPARTMENT

The following committees of the Anderson County Library Board will serve during 1963-64:

Budget: Arthur Klugh, Jr.; J. M. Wingo; Guy Shirley; with Mrs. Sarah C. Smith, Librarian, and W. Harold Lawing, Bookkeeper, also serving.

Building: Mrs. W. H. Sullivan, Avery Hunt, and Arthur Klugh, Jr.

Greeley: Avery Hunt, Mrs. George McDonald, and Mrs. W. H. Sullivan

Insurance: Guy Shirley, Arthur Klugh, Jr., and Mrs. George McDonald

Policy: Mrs. George McDonald, J. M. Wingo, and Mrs. W. H. Sullivan

Mrs. Oliver Norwood has succeeded Arthur Klugh, Jr. as chairman of the Anderson board.

BOOKS AS MEMORIALS

A special collection of the Newbery and Caldecott Award books has been added to the Aiken County Library. These books were purchased with donations to the Elizabeth Fletcher Memorial Fund and other contributions from friends of the library.

The family of the late Mrs. Robert Swingle, a member of the Dibble Memorial Library Board, suggested that in lieu of flowers contributions be made to the Aiken County Library.

THE JOHN COTTON DANA PUBLICITY AWARDS CONTEST

In 1964 for the nineteenth time, the John Cotton Dana Publicity Awards will be presented to libraries submitting scrapbooks showing outstanding publicity during the present year. The Awards are given by the Wilson Library Bulletin in a contest sponsored

jointly with the Public Relations Section of the ALA Library Administration Division.

Greenwood City and County Library won an award in 1959 and the Charleston County Public Library in 1955.

Write to John Cotton Dana Publicity Awards Contest, c/o Wilson Library Bulletin, 950 University Avenue, New York 52, New York, for entry blanks and contest rules.

KERSHAW LIBRARY MERGER DEFEATED

Despite the fact that State Senator John C. West, the Camden Chamber of Commerce, the Camden Jaycees, and many prominent citizens advocated the merger of the Camden Public Library and the Kershaw County Library, the measure was defeated by a vote of 1,339 to 861 in a special referendum on August 6, 1963.

Camden Mayor E. C. Rhame opposed the consolidation. An article in the Charlotte Observer, August 1, 1963, quotes Mayor Rhame as follows:

"We don't need a library of the magnitude the merger people want, and we wouldn't get it if we did combine the two systems. Few people here are interested in doing any extensive research."

He submitted a statement to the citizens of Camden to the Camden Chronicle for publication on August 5, 1963. In this statement he stressed the fact that he had received no complaints on the service available from the Camden Public Library and asked if the improvement, if any, from a combined library would compensate for the loss of interest in the present City and County Libraries.

In the same referendum, a plan to equalize real estate assessments and increase the school tax by not more than ten mills during the next two years was defeated.

OF LIBRARIES AND LIBRARIANS

Mrs. Frances Witherspoon is librarian of the Westminister Branch of Oconee County Library.

Young adult readers of the Barnwell County Library are writing "capsule commentaries" on the books read this summer. The brief reviews are printed in the Barnwell People-Sentinel and posted on a bulletin board in the library. The library plans to compile a printed booklet of reviews.

The book collection of the Horry County Memorial Library has been rearranged to afford better service to the patrons. The rearrangement entailed moving practically every book in the library.

The board of the Georgetown County Memorial Library voted to install air conditioning units in the offices and workrooms of the library with the idea of completely air conditioning the library by next summer.

Derothy C. Smith, Adult Services Librarian, Richland County Public Library and formerly Field Consultant, S. C. State Library Board, has accepted a position as Senior Library Supervisor with the Library Extension Division of the New York State Library. The effective date of Miss Smith's appointment is September 15.

. . . TO THE FAIR!

The American Library Association, in cooperation with the Special Libraries Association and the American Documentation Institute, will operate a library and information center, to be known as the American Reference Center, in the United States Pavilion at the 1964-65 New York World's Fair.

The information center will be the second of its kind to be exhibited at a world's fair by the Association in two years. More than two million persons visited the library-of-the-future exhibit, "Library 21," displayed at the Seattle World's Fair in 1962.

The ALA area will utilize both books and modern electronic computing systems to provide an anticipated 80 million fairgoers with information on subjects covered in the U. S. Government sponsored exhibits in the building. More than 200 professional librarians from all over the U. S. will staff the center during the months of April-October, 1964-65.

INFORMATION ON ORDERING U.S. GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS

Libraries that have encountered difficulty in obtaining U. S. government publications because of the requirement of the Superintendent of Documents that remittance must be made in advance of shipment will welcome a change of policy that has just been announced. In the future, governmental agencies and institutions may send a purchase order, with or without a claim voucher. If a claim voucher is attached to the purchase order, the Superintendent of Documents will make it out, notarize if necessary, and mail both the purchase order and claim voucher to the requisitioning agency for presentation to its paying authority and the drawing of the check. The requisitioning agency then resubmits the purchase order with the check to the Superintendent of Documents, and the publications are then shipped.

If a purchase order is submitted without a claim voucher, the Superintendent of Documents will prepare a pro forma invoice in as many copies as desired and mail to the requisitioning agency for the drawing of a check.

It is still possible, of course, to purchase coupons which may be presented as payment with an order, or to maintain a deposit account against which purchases will be charged.

Further details on ordering and paying for publications may be obtained by writing the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. 20402.

From the California State Librarian Number 35 August 5, 1963

YOUR PROBLEMS by Anne Library

Dear Anne:

With all this talk and publicity about improving the library image, I hope more attention will be paid to the "librarian image." The fact that there've been some changes made in the type of person entering the library profession and the type of service rendered should be stressed. My daughter is sold on the idea of becoming a librarian but all her friends - and a good many of mine - throw up their hands in horror and say, "Why in the world do you want to be a crabbed librarian and bury yourself in dusty old books?" What do you think is the trouble? I'll admit that I'm

Troubled

Dear Troubled:

Since I am acquainted with very few libraries which aren't attractive - from the physical plant and bookstock to the librarians - I believe your and your daughter's friends must speak from ignorance and their speech indicates a lack of library patronage.

You might point out that most librarians prefix their name with Mrs. and that the profession is suffering from the librarians who've married out of it.

Ask the doubting Thomases to pay a visit to a public library and see if they don't revise their opinions. Maybe "the fools who came to scoff" will remain to read - and profit thereby.

Anne

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